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WILLIAM RIDDLE'S DEATH.

The death of William N. Riddle, as anduce a universal feeling of sorrowful retrospect among hundreds, if not thousands, of counterfeit's departure from the stage. people who knew and admired the dead man in his successful career, and who, whether sufferers or merely impartial lookers-on, mourned the almost tragic disaster which overtook him ten years ago. Hardly any recent life presents more remarkable contrasts, or typifies more strongly both the virtues and vices of American character, than that which is thus closed.

Up to 1883 a better example of the success which can be won and the character which can be self-made in this country could not be presented than William Riddle. Starting as a poor boy, at the foot of the ladder, he fought his way by energy, taithfulness and unconquerable courage to a position of many friends to whom he in turn showed | the World's Fair cause. his ready friendship.

But the equally prevalent error of drifting into speculation made him at once a victim and offender. We believe his assertion to have been truthful, that he went into Bank, solely with the wild idea of recovering losses that had been made by loans on erash, broken fortune, and the ruin of a pre- ern way. viously unspotted career. The moral is so repeated here. The mere repetition of the facts is a sermon.

errors of the dead man and remember his and that Congressmen will not be the less many and shining virtues. We can mourn susceptible to its claims for holding their the man as we knew him at his best; and re- World's Fair deliberations in the midst of member that even with all his faults and its attractions. failures in the balance, many a worse man than William N. Riddle has died surrounded by the clock of the highest respectability and success.

### SPRECKELS STARTS.

Claus Spreckels' big sugar refinery started vesterday, and it is announced that the work has already commenced for the duplication of his plant. This will give a capacity addition to its already idle capacity. The new refinery carries with it the promise of cheap sugar for the people, and the probability of a demonstration that the trust device in the end, hurts the monopolists more than anyone clse.

# COLONEL ANDREWS' IDEA.

Colonel James Andrews is prolific in new engineering ideas; and that which is presented in our local columns, has many points about it which are worthy of public attention. The idea of a free bridge bedoubtedly be a popular one; while the project of dividing the expense between the a feasible method of lessening the cost.

the first place there is a more pressing duty knew anything about it, made a brilliant for Pittsburg in obtaining free communication between the parts that are under the same municipal government than in establishing the same privilege with another city. As a question of justice between corporations, also, it may be asked why the cities should go into partnership with one passenger railway company for the building of a bridge rather than with another which has already commenced work on its own bridge. should apply to all bridges, which are to be least, that any bridge in which the cities reasonable trackage royalties.

will be the rule over both rivers.

# PROMPTNESS IS NEEDED

Progress was made toward getting the House in shape to do business by the annonnement of five committees yesterday. The Chairmen of these committees are about what was to be expected, McKinley having and hesitate long before he was induced to the Ways and Means, with Burrows and abandon the province which he had held so Bayne next in order, and Cannon the Ap- long. It is not likely that he had any prepropriations Committee. Kelley, Powell vision, however dim, of that inglorious Committees on Manufactures, Election and | not even formulate any distinct idea that it Mileage, of which only the second is of is better to endure the dangers that we political importance. This progress having know how to meet, than fly to those of that Congress may get in shape to do busi- Nevertheless, in view of the unfortunate ness before long. There are a number of sequel, it is permissible to question whether pressing matters that should be disposed of the infatuation was really such, or whether promptly this winter, and among them the it was not an indefinite feeling that the settled before the holidays. This session is duty lies, are likely to yield a more honora good one in which to eschew the legisla- able issue than those which, being unknown tive vice of dawdling.

# MINSTRELS' LAST LAYS.

Good authorities in thestrical matters regard the dismal failure of Mr. Dockstader's

of negro minstrelsy has gone by. two or three companies of minstrels which smoking compartmenta." But the travelers

played to very large audiences. Throughat the country the popularity of minstrel shows has been manifestly on the wane. It is true that several organizations of burnt cork artists are still on the road, and if any reliance could be placed in the reports and flaring advertisements of their managers we should suppose they were making a great deal of money. The probability is, however, that the minstrel companies in question have been benefited by the general prosperity of theatrical business everywhere. The people, when times are good,

cannot be kept out of the theater by anything. The cause of the decline and fall of burnt cork negro minstrelsy, after flourishing more or less luxuriantly for a quarter of a century, is not hard to find. The minstrel performance of to-day is, as a rule, nothing more than a variety show given by blackfaced artists. The burnt cork on their faces, the bones and tambo as end men, and the man in the middle have been retained as a matter of form. But the faithful portrayal of negro character is no more seen in these nondescript productions. The spirit that nounced by telegraph elsewhere, will pro- made colored minstrels popular is dead; there is no good reason for postponing the

### THE PRESIDENT AT CHICAGO.

Chicago yesterday gave an exhibition of its impressive style of doing things by al most mobbing the President and his famil in the endeavor to prove how welcome they were to that city. Always bustling and bustling, Chicago is at this time specially effusive to every public man, in the hope of extracting some quotable opinion favoring that town for the World's Fair; so that if, in the President's progress yesterday from the railroad station to the carriages for his party there was such "rushing" and "tackling" as would have done no discredit to the late Princeton-Yale football match, it is suphigh trust and ample fortune. His liber- posed to be all taken in kindness, and as a ality and good humor won him the widest | mere spontaneous outburst of the patriotic popularity, and even his eccentricities of solicitude which Chicago now feels for every habit and conversation endeared him to the distinguished public man who can help along

Of course the energy and earnestness of the great mercantile city by the lakes are undisputed. From now on, until Congress awards the golden apple of discord, each of the competing cities will be prone to make the speculations which wrecked the Penn | the most imposing display of those characteristics which each for itself conceives to be powerfully attractive. New York is dingoil security. But the fatal error of judg- donging away upon its list of millionaires ment grew into the most reckless dissipation its cosmopolitanism, and its general bigness of other people's money in order to recover just as arduously as Chicago is displaying the lost ground, with the results of a terrible | its unbounded energy in its own wild, West-

Meanwhile, Washington is very quiet. obvious and so familiar that it need not be Yet the conviction is slowly but clearly enlarging that the placid and beautiful city on the Potomac, which is the nation's capiin this bour, we can afford to forget the tal, is growing in interest for the public;

### REPUBLIC OR DICTATORSHIP!

The further details of the revolution in Brazil, and of the events which have followed it, justify the policy of waiting till the course of the new Government has shown itself to be a true Republic, as has been suggested to be wise in these columns.

The statement of the cause of the revolution may be tinctured with monarchist sufficient to supply forty per cent of the con- prejudices; but as it is the only explanssumption of the United States; and promises | tion of its rise which has yet reached the | was driven into bankruptcy by the Lord. It is a blow more close to the vitals of the Sugar outside world, it has to be given some natural that the truly good Colonel cannot Trust than any it has yet received from the | weight until disproved. This account does courts. It is beyond doubt that not afford much foundation for faith in the Spreckels intends to fight the trust new Republic, Constitutional and demoat present; and even if he should come to cratic institutions are not, as a general rule, terms with the monopoly-which he de- securely founded on a military mutiny; and clares that he will not do-that combination a Government placed in power by insuberwill have to bear the burden of an immense | dinate troops is likely to be the reverse of careful of the liberties of the people.

The statements as to the acts of the new Government since its establishment are calculated to strengthen that opinion. The Provisional Government it has already been announced, has prescribed a suffrage qualification. Now we hear that the Rio Legislature "approved a construction of the constitution on the basis of thorough democracy," while General Fonseca, "is officially styled President." This is a fine way of saving that some one, without either calling a full constituent body, or holding tween Pittsburg and Allegheny will un- an election, has undertaken the job of making a constitution and naming a President. Add to this the apparently undisputed two cities and a traction company indicates fact that the transmission of news from Brazil has been placed under a censorship, Nevertheless there are objections to the and it begins to get rather plain that the plan which would be likely to be developed, enthusiastic people of this country who if the project were seriously taken up. In welcomed the new Republic before they

> record of leaping before they looked. Certainly the burden of proof is on the Brazilian Government to prove that it is a genuine Republic, and not as it is under just suspicion of being, a dictatorship in a democratic disguise.

# THE DANGER OF CIVILIZATION

The sentiment of the old sailor, who could never, after a slight experience of rallway It would seem as if the same public policy travel, bear to subject himself to the awful hazards of travel on land, is parallel in a used by traction or electric roads, or at good many respects to Emin Pasha's experience. The perils of the head of the Nile he have an interest must be open to the use of had braved and found them unable to injure all such companies upon the payment of him. Tropical suns, rebellious soldiers and fanatical engineers all had attacked him and The proposition shows that the free bridge | been repulsed. But the first contact with idea is working, and indicates that we are civilized dangers, in the conjunction of the moving steadily toward the time when that festive board and a second-story balcony proved better able to conquer the Governor of Equatorial Africa than all those from which Stanley spent two years to rescue

him. This is all the more striking in view of the reluctance-the "infatuation" as Stanley called it-which made the Pasha linger and Lind have the chairmanships of the balcony at Bagamoyo. Probably he did been made in the first week, it is to be hoped whose existence, even, we are ignorant. parently fall into a doze under the spell of som location of the World's Fair should be perils which a man has proved, where his to him, overcome him before he recognizes their existence.

### A HIGH STANDARD FOR SMOKERS. The removal of the smoking cars from one

theater as the death-knell of negro min- of the Philadelphia cable lines, recently, strelsy of the burnt cork variety. Dock- appears to have taken place for a novel and studer's Theater in New York City was the fastidious reason. Inquiry of the president only one in the country given up entirely of the line revealed the fact that it was beto minstrel entertainments. Its failure is cause the smokers are not sufficiently highdisastrous and complete. In New York toned. "If they would all smoke as good Oity everybody seems to agree that the day | eigars as this," said that official, referring to the Perfecto which he was smoking at the It has been noted in Pittsburg that the time, "there would be no objection to the have appeared here of late years have not | by the line were, many of them. obstinatel

economical in the nicotian tastes. Some of them consumed noxious Connecticut leaf. while others even went to the extent of introducing the vulgar pipe. This last touch was too strong for the fastidious company, and it made haste to remove the smoking compartments in time to save them from that last stage of defilement typified by the Pittsburg toby.

With no sympathy at all for the idea of the persistent smokers that they cannot divorce themselves from the weed long enough to go from their work to their homes, we must say that the standard set by the Philadelphia cable president is rather unique. It has much the same sentiment as the inquiry of Marie Antoinette why the French population, which was starving for lack of bread, did not eat cake. Doubtless the Philadelphia populace whose pipes and cheap eigars are so obnoxious. would gladly consent to smoke Havana cigars if the cable line president insisted on throwing them in with the five cent transportation. Or, it is safe to say that the vast majority would gladly give bonds, if some one will furnish them with the income of a cable road proprietor, to smoke even better cigars than his standard. But in smoking, as well as sartorial matters, the law is supreme which compels people to cut their

coat according to their cloth. There is something millenial in the suggestion by the corporation magnate of the time when the whole people can smoke Perfecto cigars. But we fear that it is a long time distant. Until then there is a certain justice, as well as a lofty standard, in the [ lecision of the Philadelphia Cable Company that smokers of pipes, tobies and Havanas alike must enjoy their different brands of micotine claswhere than on the cable cars.

MANY interesting features attend the Stanley expedition, but none are more charcteristic than the way in which he discovered the correspondents who were sent out to dis-cover him. This is another triumph for jour-

Some very justifiable fun is being enjoyed by the Louisville Courier-Journal in connection with a statement in Secretary Windom's report that "the tax on wool is 200 per cent less than the tax on alcohol," It is certainly interesting to the wearers of wool to be informed by the head of the national fiscal department that the tax which they pay is 100 per cent of the tax on alcohol less than nothing. The Treasury Department should go through a common school course on percentages.

THE statement from the mint that the demand for pennies and nickels is increasing can readily be explained. New York's World's Fair guarantee fund has been actively urged for subscriptions during the past few days.

IT IS interesting to learn that while American bison, or buffale, have become extinct n the United States, vast herds of the same kind of animal are roaming the plains of Northern Australia, which are the descendants of some specimens taken there sixty years ago. We shall presently have to go to Australia to see this truly American big game, just as we now have to travel to Minnesota and Dakota to study the New England Yankee in his most vigorous activity.

SENATOR VANCE has introduced a bill to repeal the civil service law. Sepator Vance and Senator Farwell are professedly of dif-ferent parties, but they both really belong to the same army of professed spoils hunters.

COLONEL ELLIOTT F. SHEPARD has been repeating his old story that the New York and West Shore Railroad ran Sunday trains and understand that the ? into bankruptcy by running the practise of issu ing bogus stock values to a phenomenal degree; but did he never hear of any solvent roads, which ran Sunday trains?

IT is reported that a sharper has victim. ized several Washington lawyers, but it is hard to believe that any such shock has been given to the old proverb about the existence of honor in a certain class.

THE ordinance presented in Councils re- Jefferson Davis Never Forget Names quiring all lot owners to construct sewer connections of terra cotta drain pipe, has a superficial appearance like a strike in favor of special make of sewer pine. Perhans however the term may be construed so general as to be all right. An ordinance requiring efficient It has been said of General Sherman that when sewer pipe connections for all houses is no more than the public interest requires.

THE statement that two children have been found in this city, one dead and the other dying for want of medical care, while the ther is insane, does not speak very well for our civilization.

THE young woman who was married on November 11 and now intends to get a divorce cause her husband tried to get up dramatic show on false pretenses, has learned by experience how to improve on the proverb bout marrying in baste and repenting at eisure. She repents in haste also,

PATTI expects to make \$500,000 from her present American trip. She evidently wants the world, and regards it as her oyster patti.

JAY GOULD is bulling stocks, according to the face of the returns; but Jay's smart offsnring is reported to be making large sums unloading stocks on those whom his sire talks into buying. It is sometimes better than a serpent's tooth to have an undutiful child.

# PEOPLE OF PROMINENCE.

AMELIA BLOOMER rises to remark that sh didn't invent the "Bleomer" costume, and hasn't worn it for 30 years, MR. PARNELL is ill. He will not speak a the meeting at Nottingham to-day, as was previously announced.

THE Czarewitch greatly enjoyed his visit to Athens and the somewhat democratic life of the royal family of Greece was a source of constant astonishment and surprise to him, accus tomed as he is to the thraldom of Russian court etiquette. To see King George walk about the streets of Athens unattended, or to ump into a surface car when late for break fast and in a hurry to get home, was an extraor

dinary novelty in his eyes. CHIEF JUSTICE FULLER is a man of small size, smaller even than President Harrison, He rears long, flowing hair, which is alm tirely white white. He is, however, of a very energetic temperament, and rarely sits per fectly still for a minute at a time. Hesturn over the pages of a brief in a hurry, whispers to an associate, or sends a page on an errand. He is always active, even when his colleagues apearnest but tedious barrister.

CONGRESSMAN GOODNIGHT, of the Third Kentucky district, eajoys the distinction of looking very much like Postmaster General Wanamaker. His face is smooth, has that peculiar clear complexion, and his features are not at all unlike those of the head of the Post ffice Department. In another respect Mr Goodnight is very much like Mr. Wanamaker. The Kentucky member is very much interested in Sabbath school work, and there is no gathering of this kind in his section of Kentucky but he takes a prominent part in the pro-

ceedings.

SENATOR DAVID TURFIE, of Indiana, is in appearance a typical Hoosier. Disdaining fine apparel, the Senator wears an old-fashloned roomy coat and a big broad-brimmed stiff hat, which sets well back upon his bead. His vest is partially unbuttoned, and he keeps up a constant chewing on a comfortable quid of to stant chewing on a comfortable quid of to-bacco. Senator Turpie's face is a strong one, with hig black eyes set very deep, looking out from under overhanging brown. He wears a short, full beard, crisp and grissly gray. He is credited by the other members of the party with being a great story-teller and a very en-tertaining conversationalist.

# THE TOPICAL TALKER.

A New Stars and Stripes for the Recruiting Station-Mr. Wanumaker's Experience The Big Sensation a Little Bog Made-

Congress Needs Protection It would be a patriotic deed to present the United States recruiting station on Penn avenue with a decent national flag. The old piece of faded muslin which masquerades as the Stars and Stripes outside the melanchely building in question is enough in itself to dis age recruits. It seems to be a part of the stint it of all the pomp and circumstance in color which is really essential to the cultiva-tion of the military spirit in time of peace. Probably lack of appropriations for such pur-poses is at the bottom of the exhibition of such a miserable old rag outside the recruiting station.

Perhaps the Jr. O. U. A. M. might see its way to coming to the rescue of the Federal Govern-ment in this instance. Considering the gener-ally unattractive appearance of recruiting stations and the soldiers one sees about them, it is more of a wonder to me that anyone enlists than that so many enlisted men desert at the

> HE HAS NOT BEEN LUCKY. Good Mr. Wanamaker says There's no such thing as luck; 'Tis industry, he thinks, that pays When linked with care and pluck,

Postmaster John has learned all this Ere yet a year has flown. The moral is: "Stick to your biz! Let politics alone!

A WEEK or two ago some friends of mine lost their little Skye terrier; he was stolen by one who will never bring him back, no matter what reward may be offered-by one who will steal you and me some day-Death! Whe a bright brown Dandle Dinmont Skye terrier has lived with you upward of ten years; when he has "begged" prettily for scraps of food at every meal through all that period; when he has barked with joy at your return home every night, and has been a companion in your walks abroad summer and winter, when you have found his affection unfalling and his fidelity unshakeable, it is a mighty hard thing to see the poor little fellow die. I am free to confess that very few deaths have moved me as poor old "Skye's" in the summer of 1879-he had been playmate and chum to me for 14 years, and almost as he closed his eyes for the st time, racked with pain as he was, his eyes had a loving look for me and he feebly tried to But there, I've wandered away from my

story. Some days after the death of their faithful old "Rough," a good-sized basket came to the house of my friend Blank. A note was delivered with the basket, From this it was learned that the basket contained a dog which a certain amiable lady hoped would serve in some sort to fill the vacant place in the house-hold. Mr. Blank read the note and handed it to his daughters-young women who love a dog better than a dude any day-and being privately rather alarmed at the notion of new dogs, happened to go upstairs while the quer "who shall cut the string and let the dog out?"

was still under discussion.

The basket, it was true, was not large enough to house a huge mastiff or hound, but it was not so small that a healthily developed building could make himself quite comfortable therein. But fears of this sort were dismissed after the weight of the basket had been tried. This operation was going on in the hall when I happened to call. It was one of the funniest of sights—two charming young women were gently balancing the basket in the air. Then they set it down, and one with a pearl-handled pen-knife sawed away at the string which kept the lid down. The crucial moment came when the lid was gradually raised and enough daylight let into the basket to show a tiny fox terrier pup peering upward through the straw. The puppy must have been awfully scared at the enthusiasm his revelation called forth, but when I last saw him he was lapping milk with

the calm assiduity of an unterrified tom cat.

congress must be protected. When gay cashiers to Canada Fled with the people's money, Did Congress lose a wink of sleep? You bet it didn't, sonny.

There was no hurry, so they said,

For extra legislation; In time some treaty might be made To fortify the nat But Silcott flees -all Congress howls For some new way to reach him.

Hit hard a statesman's privy purse. For that's the way to teach him.

# A MARVELOUS MEMORY.

Faces of Men He Met. From the Philadelphia Inquirer. ]

Jefferson Davis had a memory for faces and names that has probably never been excelled by that of any public man in the United States. he meets a man who was introduced to him 20 years previously, he will recall his name and circumstances of the introduction, and will talk over the incidents of their first meeting. Both Grant and Lee possessed to a great degree the same faculty of remembrance, but neither Sherman nor Grant nor Lee could do what Mr. Davis did. At his office in Richmond, as President of the Southern Confederacy, and in his visits to the front of the army, he treasured up in his memory the names of every officer and soldler with whom he came into contact, and he never forgot them. While he was at his Beauvoir plantation last winter there came to him a worn-out and broken-down man who made a claim on his charity as having been a lleutenant in a certain Mississippi regiment. Davis taxed his memory for a moment, and then told the applicant that he was a fraud, and that a man bearing an antically different came was the licentered. entirely different name was the lieutenant of the company which the mendicant had speci fied. The beggar made a quick exit from the house, and was never seen around it again.

# BECAUSE INDUSTRIES THRIVE.

That is the Reason Leading Financiers Ad. vance for a Rosy Ontlook. NEW YORK, December 9 .- Henry W. Clews & Co., in their weekly financial circular to-day, furnish some very interesting pointers. They say: "From the general aspect and symptoms of the market, we should judge that while there is no disposition to start at present any active movements, yet there is a steady laying laying in of stocks in preparation for a future campaigu. This, however, does not so much campaign. This, however, does not so much depend on the prospects of the new-year demand for the reinvestment of earnings of capital—which has in late years been so much overestimated as an influence that it has now almost ceased to be considered—as it does upon considerations of a more solid and substantial nature. As usual at the close of the year, the course of business is likely to be that of dullness and neglect, perhaps favoring the "bears" quite as much as the "bulls," in spite of the encouraging general conditions.

raging general conditions. Reports from all the leading branches of "Reports from all the leading branches of industry show not only an unusually active state of trade, but also a healthy and satisfactory state of prices. The activity of current business is shown by the fact that the clearings in all the clearing houses of the country, for the month of November, show an increase over a year ago of close upon 15 per cent."

Taxes in Turkey. From the Detroit Free Press. ] Taxes in Turkey are calculated to be just high enough to prevent any poor man from getting enough money to leave the country on. The exact sum is left to the collector to determine, and he has power under the law to give any citizen 50 blows with a stick. Rhubarb and rugs come from Turkey, but that's all

# DEATHS OF A DAY.

Prof. William F. Allen. MADISON, Wils., December 8.—William F. Allen, professor of history in the Wisconsin University. died suddenly this morning. He was born in Northboro, Mass., September 5 1830, and graduated from Harrard in 1851. In 1867 he was elected to the professorship of ancient innunges and history in Wisconsin University. He has always been a great favorite with the students.

Harvey Kennedy NEW YOUR, December 2.—Harvey Kennedy, one of the oldest and most prominent operators on Wall street, was taken suddenly III at the Union League Ciuo at 3 o'clock this morning, and Colonel W. W. Griffie,

BANTA FR., N. M., December & -Colonel W. W. Griffin, President of the First National Bank, and Chairman of the Republican Territorial Com-mittee died here vesterias.

### LEYBOURN WON'T WEAKEN.

He Yet Insists That He Was to Have Hank Blessed by the Pops.

NEW YORK, December 9.—In conjunc with its denial by the Vatican's Secretary of State, Cardinal Rampolla, there is published here to-day a reiteration by Colonel Leybourn of his chimerical universal banking scheme, to have the benediction of the Pope, in addition to \$100,000,000 capital. Colonel Leybourn, in

this connection, says:
"Inquiry on this point was not made at the roper department of the Vatican. Cardinal tampolla is the Secretary of State, which is an Rampolla is the Secretary of State, which is an office that was great when the temporal power of the Pope was fully recognized. Now only a few countries recognize the Pope's temporal power, and the office is not a great one. Rampolla is better known as the Minister of Forcign Affairs, and as such he has nothing to do with the granting of benedictions and knows nothing about what has been granted. Your correspondent may be a very smart one, but no correspondent can find out what is going on in the Vatican. Why, one department, and there are seven or eight, does not know what is done in any of the others.

"What do I care what you print? Can that alter facts? I tell you that Rampolla knows nothing of the granting of the benediction to the Universal Association Bank. Cardinal Laurenzi is the man who obtained it from the Pope, and his seal is upon it. Did I forge that seal? No. Well, why don't you cable to Laurenzi and ask him about it? He is the one. Count Galatari, the editor of the Papal newspaper, knows all about it also. If you should show me such a dispatch from either of these men I might be startled, but from Rampollanever, because, of course, he knows nothing."

# THE FOUNDER OF A GREAT ORDER.

Hon. Justus H. Rathboue, the Originator of the Knights of Pythins, Dend. SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. IMA, December 9 .- Hon. Justus H. Rathoone, founder of the order of the Knights of Pythias, died here at 215 o'clock this afternoon, after three weeks' illness, suffering from an mmense carbuncle on his back. His two daughters, Misses Lulie and Sara, were at his daide, and his sister, Mrs. J. O. Pease, of bedside, and his sister, Mrs. J. O. Pease, of Gormantown, Philadelphia. These were all the relatives present. Several members of the local lodge, and Franklin Ellis, Grand Chancellor of Ohio, were in the room and witnessed the demise of the noble founder of the order. He has been unconscious since yesterday and he passed away peacefully without a struggle. His remains were immediately taken charge of by the undertakers, who embalmed the body and placed it in an elegant casket.

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This evening his remains were removed to
the lodge room of No. 91, where they will rethe lodge room of No. 91, where they will remain until to-morrow night, when they will be taken to Utica, N. Y., for burial beside those of his wife, who died some three years ago. Hon. Howard Douglass, of Clincinnati; John G. Reeves, of Lancaster: Frank Sanborn, of Cleveland; Grand Vice Chancellor Beatty, of Toledo; John C. Burna, of MansBeld, all officers and members of the Grand Lodge, have been telegraphed and are expected to act as escort, with the addition of Grand Chancellor Ellis, who is already here.

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An Indianapolis dispatch states that General Carnahan has ordered the draping of badges of officers and members of the uniform rank for 60 days. He will take charge of the funeral ar-

# A DEAR PLACE TO DIE.

Paris, Municipally and Ecclesiastically, Exacts High Fees. From New York Star's Paris Letter.

Paris is generally considered an expensive place to live in. It is certainly a dear place to die in. Yet 57,786 interments took place in the year. Should a tourist have the misfortune to die when in Paris his relatives will have to pay heavily for it. The town draws over \$200,000 a year from a funeral tax and obtains half a million from cemetery charges.

The church also makes a little pile out of

The church also makes a little pile out of funerals. Funerals in Paris are undertaken by a monopolistic company called the Pompes Funebres. The amount of mourning which the dead receive is regulated by the amount of money which the relatives of the defunct are prepared to spend.

There are nine classes of funerals, and the church supplies nine classes of ceremonies. If the deceased is buried under class No. 1 the church will be hung with crane there will be

church will be hung with crape, there will be an impressive funeral service, and a whole regiment of ready-made lachrymose mourners. But first-class funerals are luxuries, and only 27 took place during the year. Of the 57,786 funerals, 46,107 took place with Roman Catholic services; and although 19,000 of them were the class nine where the common is short plain and cheap, the churches made \$450,000 out of them.

There were 1,037 Protestant funerals and 656
Jewish, and 15,885 people, or 21 per cent, were
buried without any religious ceremony at all.
This represents the free-thought element.

PITTSBURG LEADS THEM ALL. Her Gift to the Pan-American Delegates the Finest in the Lot.

From the Washington Post.; Every delegate to the Pan-American Congress has a trunk packed with the souvenirs of his exentsion about the United States. At least every delegate could have a collection of that size if he took as much pains to preserve his collection as did Edmund W. P. Smith, an attache of the Congress, who was one of the party of tourists. The collection, when spread out in museum style, constitutes an exhibit of no mean order and testifying to the enterprise of American cities and American merchants when a chance to advertise themselves presents it-

Two hundred dinner and lunch menus, fully 150 gifts from manufacturers and merchants, and over two dozen presents from cities in the form of books descriptive of the beauties of the places, all elaborately illustrated. Pitz-burg leads the cities in the elaborateness of its burg leads the cities in the elaborateness of its souvenir. Of the size of a double cabinet photograph album and bound in morocco, the 400 pages of the book are at least half taken up with photo-lithographs of every point of interest in Pittsburg. Another book of 500 pages claborates the business facilities of that city, each of the volumes being elegantly bound in

# SPIDERS AS APPETIZERS.

Cranky Notion of a Long Island City Pris-

oner as to Menus. NEW YORK, December 9 .- John Blake, on of the inmates of the Long Island City Jail, eats black spiders. On the third morning of his imprisonment, during which time not a morsel of food had passed his lips, Mrs. Blake came to the jail, and asked to see her busband. When she was being searched a small tin box,

When she was being searched a small tin box, containing about 50 black spiders, was found in her pocket.

The warden refused to allow Mrs. Blake to take the spiders into the prison. She said she had brought them for her husband and that he would starve to death unless he obtained black spiders to eat. The keepers laughed at her and came to the conclusion that she was insane; but they finally weakened and watched the prisoner try a brace of the burs, after which he said he was ready for other and ordinary food.

Mrs. Blake has called at the prison almost every other day since her husband has been committed, and brought a box containing six or eight spiders. Blake for years has been a "grank" upon the subject of food, and always declared that all food which the people of the present generation cat contains a certain amount of poisonous matter, and unless something is eaten to counteract the effect a person's life will be greatly shortened.

Sam Small Wants to be Ordained. ATLANTA, December 9.-Rev. Sam Small has made application for ordination in the Protestant Episcopal Church. His application is being considered by a committee of ministers, and doubtless will be favorably received. Mr. Small has been a minister of the Methodist Church, but his family are members of the Episcopal Church.

#### A Samsonian Combination. From the Philadelphia Inquirer. About the most successful combine in existence is that of the conflagration and the elevator shaft. It never fails to bring down

SOCIAL CHATTER.

THE concert for the benefit of the Allegheny General Hospital this evening will be a very enjoyable one. It will be held at the Fourth U. P. Church, Allegheny. IN Curry Institute Hall, this evening, local dramatic and musical talent will give a concert for the Allegheny County Association of Union

ex-Prisoners of War. THE Waverly Euchre Club met at the residence of Mrs. H. S. Patterson, East End, last evening and spent an enjoyable evening. The World's Museum. THE pupils of Miss Anderson's school will give a parlor entertainment to-night at their

coms, 64 Union avenue, Allegheny. THE "Nun of Kenmare," Miss Frances Clare Cusack, will lecture to a crowded house in Lafayette Hall this evening. THE Lincoln Club held a very pleasant reception at their club rooms in Lawrenceville ias

# AT THE THEATERS

A Gold Mine-Clara Morris' Return-Other Attractions.

There can be no question of the popular puc-cess of Mr. Nat C. Goodwin and his brilliant company in the new comedy, "A. Gold Mine," which was produced at the Grand Opera House last night. A large and most appreciative audience laughed heartily the whole evening and applauded both play and players generously. And it may be said in the first place, that Nat Goodwin shows in the choice of "A Gold Mine" as his play, and in his impersonation of a leading character therein, a tremend ous advance upon such worthle "Turned Up," and the valgar and offensive undertaker. The step forward is unmistakable, and as THE DISPATCH last year urged Mr. Goodwin to it, we applaud it.
"A Gold Mine" is one of the latest additions

to the swelling list of American plays. It is a comedy in three acts by Messrs. Brandis Mathews and George H. Jessop. The story is of the simplest character. Silas K. Woolcot, of Grass Valley, California, visits England with a view to salling a gold mine. view to selling a gold mine. He meets an English widow in London, or rather on a train flying thither, falls in love with her, and gains an introduction by chance to her in the house of her brother, to whom he is trying to sell his mine. The American and the English widow clash at first. The former, however, wins her over to his side by helping her nephew out of a financial hele. Woolcot to do this sacrifices his mine to the vidow's brother for the exact sum needed for widow's brother for the exact sum needed for the erring youth's saivation. The English widow, with entirely unnatural acutences, obtains the mine from her brother, and when Woolcot in due time proposes she gives him back his mine, All the other details of the play are auxiliary merely to the story.

Mr. Goodwin, as Woolcot, gives us an American of no extraordinary elevation, but an American all the same, a Yankee of positive character, shrewdoess and warm heart. For the most part Mr. Goodwin has laid asside his well-known mannerisms, reserving only a ten-

the most part Mr. Goodwin has laid aside his well-known mannerisms, reserving only a tendency to wink at the audience and to open and shat his mouth with a snap. His comedy is excellent, and the truth and tenderness of his pathos in the recital of a wild brother's tragic history, make that incident the brightest jewel in the play. There is a deal of sparkle and dash in the first two acts, and naturally Mr. Goodwin shines in the interchange of savage repartee with the charming widow. The charm of Mr. Goodwin's lovemaking in the last act is largely its novelty. Nobody ever knew, we fancy, a man to ofter his heart to a The charm of Mr. Goodwin's lovemaking in the last act is largely its novelty. Nobody ever knew, we fancy, a man to offer his heart to a grown woman in such a fashion. We take it that it is a high compliment to Mr. Goodwin's art to say that he made that love scene appear natural. To take Mr. Goodwin's work in detail is neither possible now nor fair to the very clever actors who played with him.

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The fact is that one of "A Gold Mine's" greatest merits is the number of good parts it contains. The star has no field to himself in the play. A troly artistic and unusual characterization is Mr. Paul Arthur's as a Home Rule M. P. and journalist, Rarely indeed does anyone attempt to portray an Irish gentleman upon the stage, and rarer still is there a successful portrayal. Mr. Arthur gives us an frish gentleman as we have known him: a generous, ourtly, spirited and very eloquent creature—

cessful portraysil. Mr. Arthur gives us an frish gentleman as we have known him: a generous, courtly, spirited and very eloquent creature—about the best friend a man can have in a pinch, and a prince of good fellows when goose hangs high. You don't wonder for a minute that the impulsive little golden-haired diagenus, Una Faxusood, fails in love with Gerali kilordan, M. P. He can make love like a house afire, and goin compliments faster that the United States Treasury can great usly silver dollars. And this little singenus, Miss Una Faxusood, what a gracious illuminated picture of girlhood Miss Mae Durfee makes of her! There is hardly time enough in the play to get a satisfying vision of her. The little touches of force and feeling which accentuate the maiden's part were admirably deait by Miss Durfes.

Miss Jurfes.

Miss Jusbella Coe as the widow who first fights, then admires and last loves the American was charming—you can't apply another word to such a tempting glimpse at widow-hood in its warlike and yielding models. Her lips were as ready to shoot sarcasms as tender words of love—though the epigrams predominated, and better ones at that. A clever study also was Mrs. Cecile Rush's presentment of a retired actress—a great Julies in her day. Mr. John H. Browne and, indeed, all the company, even the too stiff and pompous city baronet, Mr. Ince—deserve praise. The scenery from the opera house stock fitted the play well enough.

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By way of summing up we may say that "A Gold Mine" would be a great comedy if all of it were as strong as the second act, if the plot which makes a good woman swindle her brother—even it he be a swindler—were changed so as to avoid this absurd inconsistency. The dialogue is always bright; the wit is almost too abundant and to supply all of it somebody authors or actor has been led to somebody, authors or actor, has been led to piller epigrams and bon mots. Take it all in all it is a play well worth paying a good price to see, and Mr. Goodwin and his company are to be congratulated on their capital work.

Miss Emma Juch and her array of lyric stars will be the attraction at the Grand Opera House week of December 23. English opera has no more devoted champion than Emma Juch. She has given the stage many an artistic and well-remembered portrayal, and her high rank among prima donnas well warrants the taking of her name to designate this well-known organization of singers. Under the experienced direction of Charles E. Lock and J. Charles Davis, the Emma Juch Grand English Opera Company has made a notable record of artistic successes in Boston, Philadelphia, Washington and New York, the various theaters in those cities being crowded with the largest and most brilliant assemblages. In the company will be found Laura Bellini, Charles Hedmont, Marie Euebert, Frank Baxter, Lizzie Macnichol, Franz Vetta, Susie Leonhardt, Aloazo Stoddard, Fanny Gonzales, William Bott and I. S. Guise. The repertoire for the week will be as follows: Monday, "Carmen," with Juch as Carmen; Tuesday, "Il Trovatore;" Wednesday matinee, "Postillion of Lonjumeau;" Wednesday evening, "Martha," with Juch as Lady Harriet Durham; Thursday, "Faust," with Juch as Marguerite; Friday. "Mignon," with Juch as Magnon; Saturday matinee, "The Bohemian Girl," and Saturday evening, "Der Freischutz." The various representations will be mounted in the most elaborate and costly manner. The chorus will consist of powerful voices, made up exclusively of young and handsome Americans and the orchestra will Opera Company has made a notable record of manner. The choice of seats of powertun voices, made up exclusively of young and handsome Americans, and the orchestra will be under the direction of Add Nenendorf. The sale of seats will open Monday, December 16, and there will, no doubt, be a spirited rush for the choice of seats.

Bilou Theater. For the first time in three years Miss Clari Morris faced a Pittsburg audience last night, appearing in the dramatization of that powerful work of the younger Dumas, "Camille." There were very few empty chairs in the building and as the ever-popular star made her first entry she was greeted with a most generous burst of applause, which was often renewed during the evening. In the second and third acts, es evening. In the second and Inira acts, especially, the sympathies of the audience were with Miss Morris, and many persons were moved to tears. The versatility of the noted actress was well illustrated by the sudden transitions from frivolous gayety to the passionate—almost tragic—portions of the character. With one or two exceptions the work of the appropriate company was fair. sonate—aimost tragio—potations of the supporting company was fair, Mr. Frederic de Belleville, as Armand Duval, grows stilited in the longer speeches, and his voice lacks feeling when that is most requisite. Perhaps he suffers more by contrast with Miss Morris than would otherwise be the case. Miss Octavia Allen, as Madam Prudence, takes excellent care of the lighter portion of the play, and in the supper scene, at least, does some very realistic work. Mademoiself Michelle, in the hands of Miss Beatrice Moreland, is a very agreeable young lady, who caught the faucy of the audience by her clever imitation of a lawyer's boasting speech. Between the second and third acts Mr. Samuel Barkell rendered the corner solo, "Carnival of Venice," in such an acceptable manner that he was encored twice. Some confusion was caused by the curtain rising considerably before the aunounced time, and before a great many of the auditors had reached their seata. To-night Miss Morris will appear in "Helene,"

Bartley Campbell's last play, "My Partner," is being given at this house this week by practically the same company seen here last season the weak parts having been well braced up, s the weak paris having been well braced up, so that the company is excellently balanced. Every character is now in competent hands, and the play moves along as smoothly as the action of a story. J. F. Pike is the same greathearted, affectionate, upright Joe Saunders, and F. Chapman a handsome Ned Singleton: Miss May Hosmer a pretty, trusting Mary Brandon, and Siella Congdon a very clever Grace Brandon. Charles hay could scarcely be improved upon in the Chinese character of Wing Lee, and the other characters are all in as good hands as is needed. Large audiences witnessed both performances yesterday.

The attractions at the World's Museum in-clude Crawford, the one man orchestra, the latest sub-marine torpedo boat, Captain Chit-tengen's curios and a new vaudeville perform-

tau, and concluding with Sam ephant," a very funny farce.

# GATHERED IN GOTHAM.

Too Dirty to Stay in America.

INBW YORK BUILDAU SPECIALS. NEW YORK BUILDAU SPECIALS.\*

NEW YORK, December 2.—The dirtiest immigrants ever received at Castle Garden were landed there by the steamship City of Chester to-day. They were fixig Perimutter, fixig Lubchin, Mendal Kahu, C. Selig Spiegleman, all Poles and bachelors. In the Garden they were avoided as if plague stricken. None of the other immigrants would pass through the same rangway or sit on the same bench with the They were turned over to the doctor in the Chaile Garden Hospital, but his steward refused to go near them. Eventually the hose was turned on them, and they were locked up in rooms without furniture. They will be sent

Faith Carlata Locked Up. Scores of faith curists crowded a stuffy Brooklyn police court to-day, to hear the trial of their fellow believers, Johann Jansen, Maria Petersen and Amed Jansen. The complaint against the prisoners was that they had refused to give medicine to Mrs. Johann Jansen, ill of diphtherm, and baby Jansen, suffering from scarlet fewer and diphtheria together, and that they had broken the constitute of the they had broken the quarantine set upon the Jansen family by the Board of Health. The prisoners were smiling and full of faith. The jall keeper said that they had been praying all to fully night in Scandinavian, and seemed to fully believe that the angel of the Lord would come down and unloose their bonds. None of them could speak much English except Amed Jancould speak much English except Amed Jansee, the nurse. She said they all trusted in
the saving force of Jesus Christ, and that was
enough for them. This did not satisfy Judge
Tighe, so be committed them all under \$500
hall each for exemination because it is a prominent as the editor of the Republican
fort Scott Monitor. Twenty-three pages of it
are devoted to the "Confederate States of
America," which are cited as "the best example of a Republican form of Government." Tighe, so he committed them all under \$500 ball each for examination December 19, They went back to prison without a murmur.

Bunkeed a Fellow-Countryman. Two Italians introduced themselves to Francisco Marono, a junk dealer, Saturday, as An tonio Roma and Soverio Secilano, old friends of the Marono family in Italy. Soverio said that he was soon to leave for his home in Naples, but before he could go he must have \$1,500 changed to the currency of Italy. As he was a stranger here, he found it difficult to get this done. Marono said that he would take the money to his banker, and Soverio gave him a soiled handkerchief, which he said contained the money. Roma suggested that the junk-dealer give some sort of security, and Marono handed over a roll of bills amounting to \$500. The men then parted to meet a half-hour later. When Marono unfolded the handker-chief, at his banker's, he found nothing but a plug of tobacco in it. He fell to the floor in a fit. When he recovered he reported his loss to the police, who arrested the bunko men late last night, To-day Antonio and Soverio were

#### arraigned and held for trial. A Proncher's Wife in Trouble.

Mrs. Sarah Holland, wife of the Rev. George J. Holland, of the New York City Colored Mission, was held in \$500 bail to-day at Jefferson Market Police Court, because she kept a disorderly house. The police raided the place last night, and found there four colored women, four white women and Mrs. Holland. They arrested them all. The Rev. Holland promised to get bail for his wife, and she was ent back to her cell. The other women were sent to the island.

Arrested by His Sweetheart's Aunt. A small middle-aged woman created tremen-dous excitement in the busiest part of Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn, yesterday afternoon by col-laring a young man in his Sunday ciothes and screaming: "Now I've got you, you young rascal, I'm going to take you to the station." The young man tried to break away from her, but the small woman held on to him and marched him to Myrtle avenue toward the Adams street police station. A large crowd quickly gathered and followed the young man quickly gathered and followed the young man and his fair captor. Several men in the crowd offered to help her, but she declined their assistance. "I can take care of him myself." she said, as she tossed her head and gave her prisoner another yank. As she delivered the young man up at the station house she explained that he was Thomas H. Barnard, exhalped that he was the dodging a warrant, sworn out on a charge of breach of promise. Barnard was searched and a loaded revolver was found in his pocket. He was locked up. To-day he was arraigned before Instice Walsh, who fined him \$5 for carrying concealed weapons, and held him for examina-tion next Friday on the other charge.

# MORE CARS FOR THE NYPANO.

me Important Medifications in to the Erie. CLEVELAND, December 9 .- The new bond of fellowship was consummated between the Erie and the New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio Railroad Companies at a meeting of the stock-holders of the latter company held at Cleve-

and to-day. The new lease, which has been

approved, provides for a reduction of the rental after the rental of the 32 per cent of the

86,000,000 gross earnings annually has been obtained. Another modification of the lease that is im-Another modification of the lease that is important is the agreement by the Nypano to furnish the Erie with two locomotives and 500 coal cars; also to furnish 500 additional coal cars should the annual earnings reach \$5,500,000, 200 more when earnings reach \$7,000,000, and 500 more for each \$500,000 of earnings annually.

### LIQUOR DEALERS' RESPONSIBILITY. Saloonkeepers Not to Blame When Miners

Falsify Their Age. DOYLESTOWN, December 9.—A case involving an important point in the liquor laws has been decided here. Two boys, both about 19, purchased liquor at the hotel of Charles B. Yost, declaring they were of age. Mrs. Yost sold the whisky. In charging the jury Judge Yerkes said that where the landlord issued instructions to his agent or bartender not to sell to minors, to persons visibly intoxicated or to habitual drunkards and the bartender dis obeyed these orders, the landlord could not be convicted if the jury believed such orders to have been issued in good faith.

In this case, the fact that Mrs. Yost had been deceived by the young men falsely claiming to be of age, added another extenuating circum-stance. The jury rendered a verdict of not guilty.

# TRI-STATE TRIFLES.

READING has a silent barber who has a large number of customers. He is deaf and dumb. to try some of his girl's cooking before mar-riage. He ate a dinner which she prepared

with her own hands and hasn't been to see her

THE largest sawmill ever taken to West Virginia has been purchased by iG. W. Curtin & Co., and will be set up in Braxton county. It was made in Erie, Pa., and weighs 75 tons. It required 24 yoke of oxen to haul from the

depot a part of the machinery. PETER SINCLAIR, of Wanseon, O., on a wager, ate 24 pumpkin pies, a dozen doughnuts and drank three gallons of cider.

THOMAS EDWARDS, of Erie, was walking along the street the other day when his dog came up, pulled his coat and tried to make him retrace his steps. He turned around and followed the dog a short distance and picked up a fine revolver. The dog seemed to know that the weapon was valuable, although it was too heavy for him to carry in his mouth.

county farmer and was discovered sound asleep in the kitchen. It was killed without trouble, but not until a foolish dog had got his mouth

A PORCUPINE invaded the home of a Bedford

A MAN came into Bradford the other day and paid a bill of \$18 in old-fashioned paper currency —5, 10, 25 and 50 cent shinplasters, which he had

LAWRENCE JAMES, a young colored man Herry Williams' Academy.

A much better programme is offered at the above house this week than there was less week.

Lester & Williams' Specialty Company holds the boards, and some very neat novelties are will bring his parents here.

## CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-A wife in Vinalhaven, Me., left her insband because he wouldn't buy onlens. -At Pomona, Cal., four dogs that had been poisoned erawled to an undertaker's shop and expired on the stops.

-Wildcats and wolves are numerous near Monticello, Id. Elijah Harline and his dogs killed the largest wildcat ever seen in that re-gion, the other day.

-A tramp 6 feet and 10 inches in height was locked up in the Auburg, N. Y., jail for ten days recently. He gave his name as John Winar, but would tell nothing of his past his-

-A Selma (Cal.) man went into a stor east week and put a lighted eigarette on the edge of an aquarium. A goldfish seized it and took a puff. For several days the poor thing lay as the bestom of the tank and nanted like a tired dog. Its color changed to a jet black, and the owner of that eigarette has sworn off for keeps.

-A South Carolina man who was curio to know just how much stuff an ailigator could get away with when he felt well fed out a bind quarter of a pow, seven chickens, a sheep, four geese and a hog's head before the reptile backed water. The cow and sheep and positry had died of poiseo, but this didn't trouble the

gator any. -Two chairs that have been handed down four generations go to help out on the furniture used in the late Abram Sampson's house in Coleman, Mich. The oldest one was bought in Boston, Masa, in 1749, and has now reached the ripe old age of 149 years. They also have a flour barrel in the house that was hought in New York in 1839, has been in 12 different States, and is good for 12 more.

-Among the treasures of the Kansas His torical Society is a "rebel" geography which was compiled in 1882 by General John H. Rice,

-A friend of the lasy, in Bangor, Me., has invented a device by means of which a man can catch a fish without fishing. He attaches a can cased a new without naming. He attaches a small sleigh bell to a piece of barrel hoop, one end of which he inserts into a crack in the dock. After baiting his line and throwing it overboard he fastens it to the hoop, but his hands in his pockets and awaits developments. As soon as the bell is jingled by a jark on the line, he hauls it in and lands the field.

-Captain A. O. Paine, of Cocoa, Fla. has shells and pottery taken from the monne on the east bank of Indian river at the foot of Merritt Island. These shells and fragments were taken from the mound about 39 feet bewere taken from the mound about 39 feet below the surface, the action of the water having
washed away a large portion of the mound, and
leaving the strata exposed to view. From that
portion of the mound used as a burial ground
only conch shells were taken from among the
skeletons, and the curious feature of the case
is that in every conch shell a hole is broken in
the same relative position. It is supposed that
the conchs were buried with the dead to be
used as food in the happy hunting grounds,
and to facilitate the eating process each shell
was broken so the fish could be eaten without
trouble. The shells and pottery may be seen as trouble. The shells and pottery may be

-A German chemist in Chicago has been experimenting for a number of years in the hope of discovering a process for purifying and refining milk and cream for the purpose of shipment to points distant from the place of supply, and he says he has found it at last. By this process much of the water is taken out, and the ingredients are left unharmed in their natural state. All disease germs, it is also claimed, have been destroyed, and, if there has been a taste of bitter herbs, it has been removed. The milk, thus purified and refined, will keep sweet for fully 30 days, and can be shipped anywhere, and when the water has been replaced, is in as good, if not better, condition as when it left the cow, and cannot be distinguished from milk six boars old. The inventor is now shipping refined milk to New Orleans, where high prices rule, and some has been sent to Boston. supply, and he says he has found it at last. By

-The Museum of Antiquities at Dresden has come into possession of an interesting marble relief from Rome, which represents an aucient butcher's shop, of oblong shape, and divided by a millar into two unequal parts. In the greater stands the butcher, with a high chopping block, resting on three substantial legs, before him, while behind him hangs the steel yard and a cleaver, he himself being occu-pied in dividing a rib of meat with another an account book on her knees, engaged in as-sisting the business of her husband by acting as bookkeeper. Her headdress points to the time of Antonine.

-Curtiss Hicks, an ossified man, who resides in Racine, Wis., has been attracting a great deal of attention. He has been visited by many doctors and others who pronounce him living wonder. At one time he was one of the most popular railroad engineers in the Western most popular railroad engineers in the Western country. A newspaper man calked upon him and found a man not over five feet high lying upon a bed in an apparently lifeless condition. Hearing some one appareach he roused up and conversed in a clear voice and in an intelligent manner for over an hour. His feet, toes, ankles, legs, knee joints and even the hip joints are in a complete state of ossification. They were as hard as bone, and the akis was of a reddish color. The arms hands fineers and all the hard as bone, and the akin was of a reddish color. The arms, hands, fingers and all the joints of the same were in like condition, and the man stated there was not a sincle joint in his body that was not cassind. His laws are set, and only a cracker can be forced between his teeth. His body is in a perfectly healthy condition, and his mind unclouded. Still he is like a dead man, and has not been able to move or help himself for ten years.

—Mr. B. W. Cason, agent for the Pacific Express and United States Express Companies

Express and United States Express Companies at Now Orleans, in an interview with a reporter, said: "I believe our companies have at last hit upon a plan which in the future will make impossible the robbing of express mat-ter. All the cars are being supplied with stater. All the cars are being supplied with sta-tionary safes with combination locks, the com-bination of which the express messenger in the car will be kept in ignorance. Hereafter when money is shipped a responsible representative of the company here will go down to the train, deposit the valuables and money in the safe, check it with the messenger and then secure the safe. When the train reaches Memphis, Chattanous or any other work and the the safe. When the train reaches Memphis, Chattaneoga, or any other point, another representative of the company, also acquainted with the combination, will visit the car and acceptain from the messenger if there are any valuables or money in the safe for that point. If answered in the affirmative he will open the safe and take out the property. By this system if an express car in attacked by train robbers they will be compelled to blow open the safe, as no matter how much they might desire it the measenger will be unable to assist them."

### is the messenger will be unable to as COMIC CULLINGS.

The Terror-No, pans; I didn't know it; but now that you've told me, I feel better. - Philadelphia Inquirer. He's a pretty tall man who stands six feet

(after the seance in the woodshed)-Do you know that it pains me more than it does you to have to whip you! "Look here," said the farmer to the tramp. "Let me Jist give you a pinter..." "I don't want a pinter." "replied the tourist. want a quarter."—Terre Hinde Express.

Balm to His Wounded Feetings .- Papa

Teacher-What is a volcano? Pupil—A cutaneous disease.
Teacher—How do you make that out?
Pupil—Ian't if an eruption?—Detroit Free Wanted No Such Risk. - Agent-Suppose

you let me write a policy on this building.
Owner-Wby, it's freproof.
Agent (retreating)—I didn't know that. Pardon
me. I wouldn't take it.—New York Sun. Florence (looking at some bonnets in the milliner's window)-O, Jen' I aren't they

Jenuie (looking zeross the street) - Yes, indeed! Especially the one with the side whis rence American. A California judge fined himself \$50 for

getting druck, and turned over the money to a bailiff, with instructions that it be recorded in the usual way. This is a rather heavy fine for a drunk, but perhaps it was not the judge's first offense, —Chicago Heraki. Living on the Old Man .- McFingle-How are you, Smith? I haven't seen you for a long while. How's your son Jack? Where's he been keeping himself for the last year? Smith (dolefuity)—He hasn't been keeping himself! I've been keeping him.—New York Sus.

Mrs. Youngbride-How does your breakfast suit you this morning, darling?

Mr. Younghride—sust right: I tell you, Annie,
it may be piebeisn, but I am awfully foud of califu

liver.

Mrs. Youngbride—So am I. Don's you think, George, it would be real nice and connomical to temp a calf, then we can have calf's liver imbreakfast every morphing.—America.